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The AIR wishes to thank you for your contributions in response to the last issue. There are two other avenues for financial support. WE ARE TAKING ADVERTISING. Also, we are trying a Tupperware Club Party. Attached to this issue you will find a tupperware order form. Between February 23rd and March 12th you will be able to order Tupperware from the AIR. $100 in orders: 10% goes to the AIR. Over $100 in orders: 15% will support the AIR. The special: Decorator Canisters (normally $11.95) are now $8.39 with a $6.00 order. Tupperware booklets will be at Aromas School, Marshall's Grocery, the Adobe Kitchen, and the Jones' (3580 Viola Dr.). If you wish to see the items, call Carole Jones to schedule a showing. Lois Shipman, a native of Watsonville, now lives in Aromas (Carr Avenue) with her husband and two preschool aged boys. She needs a good start in her business (the only Aromas Tupperware dealer we know) and the AIR needs financial support, so let's see how well this works..... If any of you wish to book a party during this 2½ week period, call Carole or Lois. Every three parties booked brings another $5.00 to the AIR. You may leave your orders at Aromas School, mail them to P.O. Box 685, Aromas, or give them to Carole Jones. Call 724-0588 if you have any questions.

EDITORIAL: To set the record straight, the AIR is NOT AN AROMAS SCHOOL PAPER! While the AIR prints news items which pertain to the Aromas School, it is not an organ of the school. The AROMAS AIR is a community news-publication which hopes to benefit AROMAS at large. We felt that using the school printing equipment would be best in starting this venture, until staff and financial support appear. If you have any complaints or contributions of any kind, please take them to the editor of the AIR, rather than to Aromas School. Thank you, kindly.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR: I just read Issue 7 of the AROMAS AIR. Each issue is better than the last. I particularly like the new addition of the calendar in the back. It will be so much easier to keep track of events this way. The inspirational verses at the end are a particular joy to me. You seem to have chosen one each time that has met a particular need of mine at that time. Thank you for a well done and inspiring newspaper. Keep up the good work! .....from Linda Child

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SAN BENITO 5 ACRE ZONES TO REMAIN ---------- reported by Donna Valdez

After listening to several Aromas residents speak against rezoning the 5 acre area between Carr Ave., Cole Road to Highway 101 to 2½ acres, planning commissioners voted unanimously to keep the area (approximately 600 acres) at 5 acre zoning. About 40 Aromas residents attended the planning commission meeting held Thursday evening, Feb. 12th in Hollister. Seven residents spoke out against the rezoning and one member of the Advisory Committee, Mr. Brewer, was in favor of lowering the zoning to 2½ acres. Connie Forth presented a petition to the commissioners signed by 42 residents of San Benito County requesting the acres to remain at 5 acre zoning. Bob Herrlich and Jim Johnson each requested that their acreage be zoned up from 10,000 sq.ft. to 1 acre which was also approved by the commission. The commission stated that they will follow the state guideline of the State Water Quality Control Board stating that zoning will not go under 1 acre in areas where there is no public sewer system or water district.

MONTEREY COUNTY JUVENIIE JUSTICE COMMISSION meeting took place Tuesday, February 17 at the new media center at Pajaro School. Members of the staff from three schools (Aromas, Pajaro, and Hall Elementary) were present, as well as South Zone Administrator, Carlos Lopez. We were very taken with the generous listening time afforded us and with the Commission's attention to "pre-delinquent" activities: let us keep delinquency from becoming a problem by catching it early and providing for the young people constructive ways in which to spend their time. The chairman, Mr. Tulley, said Monterey County should be open to requests and perhaps those of us who presented various aspects of Aromas-Hall-Pajaro needs should appear before the Monterey County Board of Supervisors. Therefore, our needs for recreational activities and equipment, traffic patrol, truant officers, and Monterey County resources (nearer than Salinas) may soon be met. Mr. Lopez is working valiantly in these areas. If you have suggestions for Monterey County in meeting Aromas needs, please call Aromas School or Mr. Lopez at the District Office.

AROMAS TRI-COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 10. The Volunteer Fire Department turned in a letter which called for more enthusiasm and cooperation between commissioners and the Fire Department. Also, it stated legal action will be taken against Mr. Joe Rodriguez and Mrs. M.J. Morton should they not resign from the Board. Mr. Rodriguez was not present at the meeting, but his letter of resignation was read. Mrs. Morton took offense because a copy of this letter was not placed in her possession prior to the meeting. It will be interesting to see how this very strong action on the part of the volunteers will be met. The volunteers have a Renovation, Specs (for new truck), and Growth committee which report at monthly meetings. The Board reviewed and adopted a sick leave policy for Fire District employees. Friday, Feb. 20 a special meeting was held to review applications for a new Fire Chief. On Monday, Feb. 23rd, a special meeting has been called to review Fire District finances, and on Monday, March 8, there will be a special meeting of the Committee of the Whole. The next regularly scheduled public Fire District meeting will be Tuesday, March 9, at 7:30 P.M. at the Fire Station.

CORRECTION: AROMAS VOLUNTEER FIRE DRILLS ARE held on the 2nd and 4th THURSDAY of each month at 7:30 P.M. at the Fire Station. The next Volunteer Fire Drill will be Thursday, February 26. All are welcome.

ON BECOMING SELF-SUFFICIENT ..... by Linda Child

Our editor wrote very truthfully and inspiringly about the benefits of becoming a unit complete unto ourselves in the last issue. I got to thinking about what she said, and decided to share my thoughts with all of you.

One of the main things we must all go out of town for is Cultural Enrichment. We are very fortunate to have one university and 4 community colleges within reasonable driving distance so we can attend plays, musical events, and lectures, but I know that I would be much more likely to attend such functions if I only had t to drive 5 minutes instead of 25. This shows my inate laziness, I know, but I am sure that this is true of a lot of other people, too.

There are at least two solutions to the problem: 1. Make the drive more enjoyable and save gas by organizing car pools and: 2. Get more cultural activities in Aromas. Number 1 can be facilitated by announcements in the AIR. The AIR already lists nearby cultural events. It could also list a phone number if someone wanted to offer a car or bus. Number 2: The first thing that comes to mind when I hear the word "culture" is music. And the first thing that comes to mind when I hear the word "music" is "dancing". There is a Spring Dance planned. There have been two teenage dances. How about a folk dance group? Perhaps we could meet at Aromas School in the cafeteria? If you are interested or if you know some dances and/or have some records we could use (or know of a teacher) please call Linda Child at 722-7245.

If you have any other ideas on "Cultural Self-Sufficiency" for Aromas, send in your ideas to the AIR.

AROMAS POST OFFICE WARNS ... residents be sure to use your Post Office Box Numbers when giving your mailing address. Otherwise, your mail may be delayed greatly!!

A YOUTH ARTS EXHIBIT will be displayed at Ford's Department Store during "March Youth Arts Month". Please send art work for the exhibit to Rolling Hills Junior High School (Trula Lamont) by February 25th.

SCHOOLS IN ACTION, a series of tapes produced by district employees, is aired every Monday at 8:15 A.M. and again between 5 and 6 P.M. on KOMY.

DR. TONY S. CARRILLO, Director, California Regional Center for Community Education Development, School of Education, San Jose State University, will speak on the COMMUNITY SCHOOL concept on Monday, Feb. 23rd at 7:30 P.M. at the new media center at Pajaro School. Mr. Carrillo is a dynamic man and a great speaker! Don't miss this one!!!

SPRING DANCE to benefit the 6th grade science camp will take place Saturday, March 6 at 7:30 P.M. at AROMAS SCHOOL AUDITORIUM with music by the MIDNIGHT ROSE. Tickets are $1.50 for adults and $1 for Senior Citizens and persons under 16.

AROMAS SCHOOL PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE ..... by Donna Valdez

Since the first part of December, some parents of Aromas School students have been trying to come up with a solution to upgrading the equipment on the playground at the school. To date, (February 18) there has not been very much interest or concern being shown. If anyone reading this article feels they have anything to offer, i.e., ideas, material, physical help and labor, etc., please call me and we will get our good thoughts together. I'm very interested in seeing a plan initiated and enthusiastic support to carry it through. Our children really need this. Please call me if you want to be a part of this plan. Donna Valdez, 722-2277.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The kindergarten/first grade combination which comprises Mrs. Herrera's class (Linda Child - Aide) drew pictures and dictated sentences regarding what they would like to see on their playground. Picture after picture displayed: swings, see-saws, swings, another slide, swings, a merry-go-round, and swings. The comments were short, but to the point: "I would like a swing", "I would like a swing and a see-saw", and "I would love some swings". A quick scan of our playground equipment would indicate there are NO swings or see-saws whatsoever. Maybe we can accommodate our young people and help them get a few added attractions for their playground.

VOLUNTEERS --- TO BE OR NOT TO BE ????? ..... by Barbara Morales

"Our responsibility is not to do the teacher's job for them, but to make sure it gets done." Just as parents carry prescriptions to the pharmacy and follo doctors' orders as to doseages, parents and other community members can assist teachers by following her (or his) orders.

WHY? A teacher can diagnose a child's problem in reading or arithmetic but needs extra hands to prescribe different instructions to meet individual and small group needs. Sometimes all that is needed is to spend ½ hour each week listening to a child read.

WHO? Any adult who likes children and would like to help in the classroom People are also needed to assist in the resource room which is a kind of clearinghouse for enrichment materials and study aids.

HOW? Contact your child's teacher; or Connie Herrlich, volunteer coordinator (722-9114); or Barbara Morales (724-6879, evenings). Please let the teacher know when you are coming and sign in at the office. Your work is more effective i you can come regularly.

SPECIAL HELP. Barbara Morales is available to give extra assistance on becoming a volunteer. Also, Carol Hill (Mintie White teacher) will be coming to Aromas School at 7:30 P.M. on March 2nd to share study aids she calls Arithmetriks

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BUMBIE BEE ..... by Debbie Barton, Age 9

I looked up in the sky and what did I see? Nothing much just a bumble-bee. For three solid hours I sat in that tree. Looking at that bumble-bee. Finally he came out of that tree. I asked him his name and he asked me.

RECREATION NEWS ---------- by Stephanie Harlan

GUITAR CLASS! All students now have a chance to take free guitar lessons after school on Thursdays. A beginning class is starting, and there are some guitars available on loan. If your child is interested, but a day other than Thursday is desired, leave word with Stephanie Harlan at Aromas School (728-3611).

FREE MOVIES will be shown again this Saturday at 11 A.M. in the Aromas Sch. Cafeteria. All children and parents are encouraged to come and enjoy them. They will last approximately one hour.

ANY ADULT OR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT who would be interested in teaching an after-school Arts/Crafts class (cooking, embroidering, leather, macrame, knitting, pottery, etc.) please call Stephanie at Aromas School. (A small amount of money is available for salary and supplies.)

A tentative date has been set for another BICYCLE TRIP - PICNIC to ROYAL OAKS PARK - Saturday, March 20th. Any adults who would like to ride or drive a car are welcome. More information later.

HIGH SCHOOL AND JR. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! Would you like to help organize the next Teenagers' Dance? Leave your name and phone number at Aromas School.

MORE IDEAS are welcome for activities at Aromas School - for adults, teens, and children. Call Stephanie Harlan at the school if you have any suggestions.

Sunday, Feb. 29 at 11 A.M. (weather permitting): LAST CHANCE to enter Winter Open Track Meets at Cabrillo College. All ages invited to run and jump. No charge. Four young ladies from Aromas earned top marks for their age groups in January:

Women 25 and over	Carol Bedell	60 yards	10.4
		High jump	3'2"
		Long jump	7'7"
Girls 12 - 13	Carol Butler	60 yards	10.0
		High jump	2'10"
Girls 10 - 11	Lisa Butler	High Jump	3'0"
		Long jump	8'8½"
Girls 7 & Under	Morning Star Bedell	60 yards	10.8
		High jump	2'8"
		Long jump	8'6"

Yesterday, Morning Star slashed her time in the 60 from 10.8 to 9.6 seconds, and jumped 2" higher. A small group will be going from Aromas next Sunday (unless it is raining or track is wet). For information, Call Carole Jones, 724-0588.

WANTED TO BUY: Pick up truck, 3/4 ton, '70-'73, in good condition. Call 722-2277.

MRS. LONG, 2nd grade teacher at Aromas School, needs to find homes for 3 puppies. 2 males and 1 female. Guaranteed not to weigh over 10 lbs. as adults. Cute and affectionate. They need someone to love!! Call Aromas School, 728-3611.

FOR SALE: Bunnies, white or colored, $2.00. Butchered rabbits: $1.25/lb. Fertile eggs, 80¢ per dozen. Call 724-6879, evenings.

WANTED IN AROMAS AREA: 1) Double garage, shop, rundown house, portion of barn, or other low-rent building - suitable for small sign painting shop. 2) Quiet place to park small camper, as close to shop as possible. Call E.G. Blackburn, 724-7580.

NEED A SIGN? Call 724-7580 for precision painting by EG. Samples of large signs in Watsonville and Gilroy areas: Mi Casita (scenic), Senor David, Comfort Kingdom Waterbeds, Western Auto, Bridal Showcase, SBE, Fox Orthopedic, Passey's Hobbyshop.

THE MAGIC FAN ..... by Stacey Brown, Age 9

There once was a little girl. Her name was Teshemo. She was very beautiful and could sing like the birds. She lived with her poor old mother at the end of town. She was a kind girl. One day she found a fan on the road. She was hot so she cooled herself with it. Out came a man who said "Come with me and you will not be poor again."

THE MAGIC FAN ----- cont'd

She went and got her mother. They went with the man. They came to a palace and they went in. There sat a prince who said "Will you marry me?" "Yes, I will," Teshemo said. And they were married the next day. . . . . THE END

CAIENDAR: FEBRUARY 23RD TO MARCH 12TH

MON. 23rd
First day to purchase Tupperware for the AIR
9:30-12 AM Parenting Toddlers, Capitola. 688-3024
10:30 AM Aromas Women's Consciousness Raising. 722-9613.
2:15 Aromas School Needs Assessment. Next year's school plan, 1st session
3:15 PM Children's Folkdancing, 19 E. Lake, Watsonville
7:30 PM Pajaro School. Tony Carrillo speaks on Community School concept.

TUES. 24th
1-3 PM Senior Citizens Fitness & Body Awareness, 127 E. Beach, Watsonville
6:30 PM P.T.A. BOX DINNER, Aromas School Cafeteria. Speakers & slides.

WED. 25th
9:30 AM Visit Hall Dist. School. "Get to know other schools & programs."
7:30 PM Community Service Committee, Jones', 3580 Viola Drive

THURS. 26th
10:30 AM Preschool story time, Aromas Branch Library
3-5 PM District workshop "HOW TO RUN A MEETING" Renaissance Library
7:30 PM D.A.C., Renaissance Board Room
7:30 PM Aromas Volunteer Fire Drill. All welcome.
7:30 PM Aromas Women's Consciousness Raising, 306 Bardue
8 PM Evening of Dance "Three's Company" Cabrillo College Center

FRI. 27TH
1-2 PM Discussion on Parenting. Larry Barrow at Aromas School.
9 AM Hall Elemantary School. Discussion in Spanish "Ages & Stages"
7:30 PM Community Folk Dance, Cabrillo College Room 1117
8 PM Free Planetarium Show: "From Here to Infinity" Cabrillo Planetarium

SAT. 28th
11 AM Free film, Aromas School Cafeteria, Refreshments by PTA for AIR
12-4 PM Tax Return Assistance, Salinas Public Library, Call 758-8211
8 PM Free Planetarium Show: "From Here to Infinity", Cabrillo Planetarium
8 PM Classical Guitar Concert, Farley & Eisenstein, Cabrillo College Theater

SUN. 29TH
11 AM Free track meet for all ages & sexes. Cabrillo. Call 688-6635.
8:30-1:30 Grange Breakfast. $1.75 Adults and $1 for children.

MON. 1st
9:30-12 AM Parenting Toddlers, St. John the Baptist Church, Capitola
10:30 AM Aromas Women's Consciousness Raising, 722-9613
3:15 PM Children's Folkdancing, 19 E. Lake, Watsonville

TUES. 2ND
1-3 PM Sr. Citizens Fitness & Body Awareness, 127 E. Beach, Watsonville
3:30-10 PM Multi-Cultural Activities workshop at Mar Vista Sch. Library
3:30 PM COME FLY A KITE. Carmel kite shop presents colorful movie "The Master Kiteman" at Watsonville Public Library
6:30 PM Potluck dinner at the Jones' for Spring Dance Committee
7:30 PM "Arithmetriks" by Carol Hill at Aromas School Cafeteria
8 PM School Board Meeting at Rio Del Mar School

WED. 3RD
7-10 PM Effective Parenting, 95 Alta Vista Road, Watsonville

THURS. 4TH
10:30 AM Preschool story hour, Aromas Branch Library
3 PM Learn to speak Spanish, Jones', 3580 Viola Drive
7 PM Community Forum, Hall Elemantary School "Should we save Natividad (County) Hospital" Dr.'s Whitworth and Nicholas.
7:30 PM Aromas Women's Consciousness Raising, 306 Bardue

CALENDAR --------- cont'd

FRI. 5TH — 7:30 PM Community Folk Dance, Cabrillo College Room 1117

SAT. 6TH — 11 AM Free Film, Aromas School Cafeteria, Refreshments by PTA for AIR
12-4 PM Tax Return Assistance, Salinas Public Library, Call 758-8211
7:30 PM SPRING DANCE, Aromas School Cafeteria, music by MIDNIGHT ROSE

SUN. 7TH — 11 AM "All-Comers" track and field meet. Cabrillo College. Car pool, 724-0588.

MOND. 8TH — 9:30-12 AM Parenting Toddlers, Capitola, 688-3024
10:30 AM Aromas Women's Consciousness Raising, 722-9613
3:15 PM Children's Folkdancing, 19 E. Lake, Watsonville

TUES. 9TH — 10:30 AM Spanish Discussion: Consumer Protection. Hall Elementary School.
1-3 PM Sr. Citizens Fitness & Body Awareness, 127 E. Beach, Watsonville
7:30 PM Aromas Tri-County Fire District Board of Commissioners meeting. PUBLIC.

WED. 10TH — 7-10 PM Effective Parenting, 95 Alta Vista Road, Watsonville
7:30 PM Monterey County Planning Commission Hearing: REZONING. Salinas.

THURS. 11TH — 10:30 AM Preschool story hour, Aromas Branch Library
7:30-9:30 PM Aromas Women's Consciousness Raising, 306 Bardue

FRI. 12TH — LAST DAY TO PURCHASE TUPPERWARE FOR THE AIR
7:30-9 PM Community Folk Dance, Cabrillo College Room 1117

WEATHER WISHES ..... by Kathleen Tidwell, Age 9

When I wish upon the moon then I know my wish is soon
When I wish upon the sun then I know my wish id done
When I wish upon a cloud, then I know my wish is loud
When I wish upon the rain then all my wishes are down the drain
When I wish upon the sleet,then my wish is very neat
When I wish upon the frost then my wish is very lost
When I wish upon the thunder then my wish is on the lumber
When I wish upon the lightning then my wish is all up tightning

But when I wish upon my mother then all my wishes are some where's other.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS IN THE CLASSROOMS - SO - WE ARE OPENING A CHILDREN'S CENTER AT AROMAS SCHOOL TO HELP MAKE THAT POSSIBIE. Are you interested? Call Suzanne Clarke, 728-3148. Do you have any spare time? Even half-an-hour weekly would be helpful in a classroom or the center. Interested? Call Suzanne Clarke: 728-3148.

You have no school-age children but you have small pre-school children. Well, here is your chance to see how the school your children will be attending works. Interested? Call Suzanne Clarke: 728-3148.

Young, older, with or without children, man or woman, we at Aromas School can use your talents: everyone has at least one, even to sit one half-hour weekly listening to a child read, is a real talent.

We do need volunteers. If you are interested and want more information, please call Suzanne Clarke: 728-3148.

BIRTHDAY REFLECTIONS: I have four things to learn in life: To think clearly without hurry or confusion; To love everybody sincerely; To act in everything with the highest motives; To trust in God unhesitatingly.

Helen Keller